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From the REFLECTOR.

Of FRIENDS and ENEMIES.

NO Virtue is more frequently mentioned, and leſs practiſed, than Friendſhip. Every Man imagines he has Friends; yet every Man may here find himſelf deceived. What we generally call Friendſhip is a ſpurious Virtue, that vaniſhes in Time of Trial. Adverſity is the Touchſtone of Friendſhip. King Tarquin declared it owing to his Misfortunes, [illegible] that he ever diſcovered who were his Friends, or Enemies; becauſe he could then no longer oblige them. Such Obſervations have opened the Eyes of others, upon finding themſelves deſerted in Misfortune by thoſe they eſteemed their faſteſt Friends. Aulus Gellius has delivered to us an elegant Fable of Æſop, to this Purpoſe.

"A Lark, who had her Neſt in a Corn-Field, going to ſeek Food for her Young, charged them to obſerve carefully what they ſhould hear in her Abſence, and give her an Account of it at her Return. While ſhe was gone, they overheard the Owner of the Field order his Son to go to his Friends and Neighbours, to deſire their Friends to aſſiſt in reaping the Corn the next Day. This the trembling Young ones related to their Mother, and begged her to look out for a Place, where they might be ſafe. The old Lark was not alarmed at this Account, but bid her Young have Patience, ſaying, if the Owner truſted to his Friends the Field would not be reaped To-morrow. The next Day ſhe went again; with the ſame Charge as before. The Owner of the Field ſtaid in Hopes of Reaping, but waited the Arrival of his Friends in vain; then ſaid to his Son, I perceive our Friends are unwilling to come; go therefore to our Relations, and pray them to aſſiſt us in reaping To-morrow. This alſo the frighted Young related to their Mother, who ſaid, then be comforted, for if it is ſtill in the Power of Relations as Friends; and therefore I preſume, the Corn will not be reaped To-morrow. The Lark left her Brood the third Time. The Owner came again, and finding no Relations aſſiſted his Son, ſaid, Then, ſaid he, I muſt truſt to myſelf; therefore, let thoſe who deſire it, take each of us our Sickle, and reap the Corn To-morrow by ourſelves. This the young Larks related to their Mother; who then cried, Now it is Time to move off, for the Corn will aſſuredly be reaped To-morrow. She, therefore, immediately transferred her Brood to a ſafer Place; and the Corn was reaped accordingly."

For tho' we are frequently deceived in our Friendſhips, we ſhould not harbour Suſpicion too far, and turn Proſelyte into Miſanthropy, like Timon of Athens; who had no Confidence but in Apemantus, and that for eating. For tho' they once dined together, Apemantus happening to ſay it was a ſatisfactory Meal; Timon replied, "It would have been more ſatisfactory to me, if you had not partook of it." Another Inſtance of his Hatred to Mankind was this: that having given a general Invitation to the Athenians, he made them this following Speech: "I have a Fig Tree in my Court-Yard, whereon the People of this Place are accuſtomed to hang themſelves; but being determined to build upon the Spot where it grows, I ſhall be obliged to cut the Tree down. I therefore give this public Notice, that, if any Man has a Mind to hang himſelf, he may make Uſe of the Opportunity, whilſt the Tree remains fit for his Purpoſe."

Such contagious Malevolence muſt be carefully avoided, and Socrates's Advice be followed, in chuſing a middle Way, betwixt that of meeting Friendſhip with all we meet, and of ſuſpecting every Mortal. It is as great a Folly to believe no Body, as every Body.

Friendſhip is often confounded with Party; when Men frequently join in Wickedneſs, inſtead of uniting in Virtue. Let a Thing be never ſo good, it becomes bad, if carried too far. All the Virtues have their Limits, which ſhould never be paſſed. Genuine Friendſhip conſiſts in the ſtrict Union of two or more Perſons, who inwardly love one another, and promote each other's Welfare as their own, in all good and honeſt Deſigns only: Otherwiſe the Junction loſes the Name and Nature of Friendſhip, and turns to Combination and Conſpiracy. If one Man obliges himſelf to defend and juſtify all the Actions of another, whether they be good or bad, right or wrong; this is not Virtue or Friendſhip, but Vice and Villany. For there can be no Friendſhip but betwixt good Men. Where bad Men unite in the ſame Deſires, Fears, Animoſities, Endeavours and Ends; this is not Friendſhip, but Combination or Faction. It is a groſs Error, to call this Kind of Junction, Friendſhip; and ariſes from the ſtrange Stupidity of the Vulgar, to confound Virtues and Vices. The common People look upon Friendſhip as an offenſive and defenſive Alliance, on all Occaſions; good, bad and indifferent. When a Drunkard, a Robber, or Adulterer, &c. is accuſed; theſe Vulgar Wretches think it their Duty to defend, or bring off their Friends; and cenſure thoſe who will not endeavour to blanch and conceal ſuch Enormities. But, if this be Friendſhip, the patronizing of Thieves and Robbers is Virtue. According to theſe bad Principles, the famous Cartouche was a Hero, who ſuffered the ſevereſt Penalties, for ſome Years, without betraying his Gang; thinking the Law of Friendſhip required this obſtinate Behaviour. Yet many among the Vulgar admired and praiſed this ſturdy Reſolution, as a Sign of true Courage and Friendſhip.

Daily Experience ſhews, that few Men diſtinguiſh betwixt Friendſhip and Conſpiracy. Even Philoſophers, and the Learned, have been guilty of this Error. Chilon, one of the ſeven wiſe Greeks, once doubted how to behave as a Judge, in an unjuſt Cauſe of his Friend. On the one Side, he conſidered the Tranſgreſſion of the Law; and on the other the Tranſgreſſion of Friendſhip: ſo that he took the Medium betwixt the Two; paſſed a ſelf Sentence upon his guilty Friend, but prevailed upon the Accuſers to acquit him; and fancied he thereby fulfilled the Duty both of a Judge and Friend. Thus that Philoſopher ſacrificed his Character of Juſtice to a falſe Law of Friendſhip. For, to judge contrary to Law, or perſuade others to do ſo, is the ſame Thing, as to the Fact; tho' indeed the latter is the greater Crime, becauſe it adds Cunning to Injuſtice. An honeſt Man will not regard the Perſon of his Friend, when appointed his Judge. Yet many great Men beſides Chilon, have given into this Error; as appears among numerous Inſtances, from the Explanation of Gellius, upon this very Procedure of Chilon: For Gellius thinks, that the Philoſopher here took an excellent middle Way; "ſo as to enlarge Juſtice, without tranſgreſſing within due Bounds." We likewiſe ſee, that Cæſar himſelf was guilty of an Error, in declaring that "a Man ſhould not ſcruple to offer "a ſmall Diſgrace, to Order to procure a great Advantage to his Friend." *Turpiculum ruperit, ſed inſignem, ſubeundo id: ſi vult ex magno Dolore magnum ferre.*

The Friendſhip of Caius Bloſius to Tiberius Gracchus, deſerves the Name of Treachery, rather than Friendſhip. Upon being aſked what he would do for his Friend, he anſwered, "Every Thing." "How, every Thing?" ſays Lælius: "Suppoſe your Friend ſhould bid you burn the Temple?" "That," replied Bloſius, "my Friend would never order." "But ſuppoſe he ſhould," rejoined Lælius. "Why then I would do it."

The great Pericles judged more juſtly, when being preſſed by his Friend to give a falſe Sentence in his Favour, anſwered, "A Man ſhould oblige his Friend in every Thing but Wickedneſs." Where appears the Folly of thoſe who are ready to eſpouſe even their Fools to their Friends, as in the Faſhion of Duelling at Preſent. The great Poet Simonides once repreſſed ſomething unjuſt in Themiſtocles, whoſe Friendſhip he relied on; but Themiſtocles replied, "if you ſhould offend againſt the "Rules of Poetry, you would be no good Poet; and if I ſhould offend "againſt the Laws, I can be no good Governor." Publius Rufus was upbraided by his Friend in theſe Words. "What Signifies your Friendſhip "to me, when you will not do what I requeſt?" "And pray where is the Good of your Friendſhip to me, when you requeſt "a Thing which I dare not do?" Cicero's Rule of Friendſhip is: "Not to aſk any Thing unjuſt, nor to do it if aſked." *Hæc præſcripta ſanctaque ſunto, ut neque rogemus res turpes, nec faciamus rogati.*

It is neceſſary to procure Friends; but more neceſſary to reconcile ourſelves with Enemies. As Hatred has a ſtronger and quicker Motion than Friendſhip; one Enemy may do us more Hurt, than ten Friends can do us Good. Hence the common Saying is juſtified, "One Enemy is too much, and an hundred Friends too little." My Enemy may burn my Houſe in an Hour; and my Friends not build it up in a Year. A Character is eaſily loſt, but not eaſily recovered. Beſides, true Friendſhip is rarer than perfect Hatred. A Damon and Pythias, a Scipio and Lælius, are hard to be met with. The World affords but few Examples of ſuch perfect Friendſhip. Friends, in Times of Trial, withdraw, draw back, hehave, and fall off; and we have Proverbs enow to that Purpoſe. But not to mention falſe Friendſhips, of which Hiſtory, and daily Experience, ſupply innumerable Inſtances; we may obſerve that Hatred and Enmity are demons, chaſms and uncertain Things; which never fail in the Way, where our Enemy has Power to hurt. It is miſerable to live without Friends; but unſafe and dangerous to live among Enemies. If my Friend dies, I am grieved: If my Enemy dies, I am freed from a threatning Danger. If my Friend do me neither Good nor Harm; but the Will of my Enemy may hurt me. All Men are able to do Miſchief. It is therefore wrong to truſt entirely to Friends; and ſay, "that we have ſome Enemies, yet we have good Friends." It might be much fitter to ſay, we have Friends but Enemies. It is more prudent to be reconciled with a little Enemy, than to procure a mighty Friend. Let an Enemy be ever ſo puny, he has a Sting. Beſides, we are not ſo much to regard what a Man is, as what he may be. Experience ſhews, that many, whoſe Malice was defeated, have made themſelves felt, when Opportunity offered. A defpiſed Enemy is not conquered. And as we ſee in Romances, that a Cat is ſometimes changed into a furious Knight; and a Pumpkin into a Coach: ſo we daily find, in Reality, great and unexpected Transformations of Men: Whence it is adviſable, to look even upon the meaneſt Perſon as one whoſe Aſſiſtance may want ſome time or other. I have formerly overlook'd an Enemy, thinking it out of his Power to hurt me; but have found him grown over my Head, and render my Life uneaſy. I now run into the other Extreme; my Precaution being ſo great, that I am ready to make every Houſe a Bow; becauſe Hiſtory informs me, a Horſe was once made a Conful.

This fear, I own, may be carried too far; but when a Man has been Stabb'd, he dreads the Suspicion of Fire. He who has broke his Head against a low Door, is apt to stoop, when he enters a high one.

If an Enemy cannot be brought to Terms; we should, at least, give him no fresh Provocation; for then, tho' he is not disarmed, his Rage may be lessened, if we cannot fall under his Pain. But we must not carry the Matter so far as the Nobleman mentioned by Plutarch. This Nobleman being once instructing by the Tutor, how to procure good Treatment, in Case of falling into his Enemy's Hands? The Pupil answered, "I have endeavoured your Rule, even as to the Devil himself, and therefore "hope that his infernal Majesty will treat me with Civility, if I go to "Court."

Alexander once hearing Cleomenes praised for saying, "It was the Duty "of a Prince to reward his Friends, and distress his Enemies;" replied, it might have been better if Cleomenes had taught him that "we should do good "to our Friends, and be reconciled to our Enemies." The bravest Enemy may be disarmed by Civility, and Patience. The great Pericles being reviled by a Citizen, who continued his foul Language all Evening; Pericles ordered him to be lighted Home, because it was dark. Chrysippus, when reproached by a noted Reviler, said, "Friend, I praise thy Resolution, in thus continuing to support thy Character." "Do good to "thy Friend," says the Wise Cleobulus, for that will increase his Friendship; and do good to thy Enemy, for that will soften his Hatred." An intelligent Commander fights resolutely against the Enemy; but takes Care to keep a Reserve for his own Duty, and personal Safety; and therefore, if he falls into the Enemy's Power, he is not treated as a Murderer, but as a Prisoner of War; who has done no more than his Duty and Profession required. In the taking of Towns, not only Soldiers, but Women and Children, have been cut to Pieces, when the Enemy had been inflamed and exasperated during the Siege. Whereas the Conqueror, when he has been compelled with Reason and Justice on his Side, to use only the Terrors of War, has generally found that the Tempers of Men are softened by Success, and that the Conquered have greater Reason to fear the Resentments of their own Countrymen, than the Enemy. Pompey, Plutarch informs us, was so much beloved by the Romans, that they would have forgiven his Revolt; but his calling the Conscript Fathers Tyrants, struck them with Fear.

We find this Rule not always observed even by the Ablest of Men. A Pleader seldom confines himself to the supporting of his Cause, without insulting his Opponent. Reflection and Satyr, by which a Genius of a good Capacity often wastes and misapplies himself, who, before, was only a little defending himself and the Republic, against Antony, had drawn Invectives upon himself, which ended with personal Abuse, and hurry'd Cicero into Measures, which the Loss of the Orator would not have proved to be necessary. The same may be said of Chamberlain others, who enrage their Enemy, and treat his Foibles and Failings with unseemly Contempt; whereas, in many Circumstances they deserve them a Prey to their Enemy. Cicero forbad his Enemy, who in a short Time got the Ascendant over him. Reduced to numerous Enemies, whereas he was a Stranger to, for the Friendship of so many noble Personages, was [illegible] to defend him against the Reproaches of a single Enemy.

[illegible] here has been the Arrival of a third Ship of War, which arrived [illegible] their Quarantine, and are [illegible] Proceedings. The Expence of a Merchantman, who carried Goods [illegible] ago from the Mouth of Caspian to Astrachan, is [illegible] Men of the Island of Pinnoli, after a Chace of three Days. [illegible] Guns and 47 Men of the Island of Pinnoli, after a Chace of three Days. [illegible] There were also Cardinals in Conclave, when the Consuls first discovered [illegible] but one made Pope. We are informed that a Venetian Felucca, [illegible] Turkish Troops concerned in the late Insurrection, have received Orders to [illegible] Body thereof, in Readiness to march. The Number of the more [illegible] are [illegible] of the said Regiment, the Grand Sig. [illegible] strong Apprehensions for some Time past of his [illegible] Friendship with all the Christian Powers.

[illegible] which the Government have made [illegible] of the Knights of St. George, have not as yet had their desired Effect. These Bills being dull as about as per Cent. upon all Pensions, will be [illegible] Difference is said to be [illegible] of 10 per Cent. upon all Pensions, will be [illegible] additional Duties granted by Parliament in favour of that Body. 'Tis generally supposed here, that the Grand Master of Malta has entirely cemented [illegible] the Knights of [illegible] Rhodes, and that in Consequence thereof, he entertains no Doubts of a speedy Peace with the Grand Signior.

Extract of a Letter from the Hague, April 30.

"A Member of the [illegible] at Berlin has just published a Letter, wherein he lays down a new [illegible] viz. That the Earth and all the Planets, have been approaching the Sun gradually, ever since the Creation: that proves this easy, by affirming, that the most rarified Fluids evaporate. The Consequences of this new System will be vast, the general Conflagration of Comets, &c. &c. and the Year must have decreased proportionably. The Circle of Newton has been proportionably diminished. We will have Dissertations on this Letter without Number.

Madrid, May 5. O. S. It is reported that there is a Plan on Foot for establishing a Naval School at Barcelona, where three or four Hundred young Gentlemen are to be instructed in the Art of Navigation, in order to [illegible] for the King's Service.

Rome, May 7. O. S. Yesterday a Neapolitan Priest was committed to the Prison of the Inquisition, being accused of several Crimes, and particularly for having violated the Laws relating to his Function by clandestinely marrying two different Wives.

Rome, May 14. O. S. We have daily Accounts of valuable Discoveries made at the subterraneous City of Herculea; the Marble Statues, Silver Vases, exquisite Workmanship, and Utensils in Comparison of which our [illegible] though so highly esteemed, result from the Dross, as to [illegible] Coarseness and Simplicity.

Leghorn, May 17. O. S. A most unnatural Instance of the Violence of [illegible] has lately been perpetrated here. A Lawyer being [illegible] with a young Lady, carried on his Courtship with [illegible] Fervour, but with little Success for two whole Years, the [illegible] ever [illegible] from there was so Quiet to be hoped for in living with a Mother-in-Law, whose Temper was the very Reverse of hers. The [illegible] Lover removed this Obstacle by Poison, and after a decent Time of Mourning for his own Mother, who knew nothing of the Affair, he renewed his Addresses and was accepted. A few Days after Marriage, the Transports of Love subsiding, the shocking Idea of a murdered Mother rushed upon his Heart, and fired him with Resentment against his Bride, whose Beauty and Complaisance had prompted him to such a Fact. He gave her no Life than a Dagger with a Poignard, and that when she was striving by Entreaties and soft Language, to dispel the Perturbation, under which she perceived him to labour. Being taken, he confessed both Crimes this former being unknown, and has suffered an excruciating Death, amidst the Revilings of the Populace, but not without some Mixture of Pity from those who are acquainted with the Weakness of Nature and Force of Passion.

Paris, May 16. O. S. The King has sent Orders to the Intendants of the several Provinces, immediately to proceed to the levying of the Impost, to which the Clergy are assessed; they are withal directed to demand of all Ecclesiasticks possessed of Benefices, or any other Funds, within their respective Districts, to deliver in exact and particular Schedules of their several Revenues, under the Penalty of Seizure, except a Reserve of so much as shall be accounted necessary for the Subsistence of such Ecclesiastical Pensions of Lands.

A Deputation from the Parliament having remonstrated to his Majesty, relating to an Edict for a new Loan which the King designs to issue, his Majesty dismissed them with this Answer: Gentlemen, having valid Reasons for issuing this Edict, it is my Pleasure that it be registered.

The Arrêt, against which the Parliament made a fruitless Remonstrance, is for a Loan of twenty Millions, on Annuities, at ten per Cent. without any Diminution of Age or Calling.

LONDON, May 28.

There having been of late a general Account given of the Title of the Prince of Wales, Duke of CORNWALL, or Earl of CHESTER, by the Death of his late Royal Highness; the following Account being authentick, it is hoped will give Light and Satisfaction, how those Titles came to the Royal Family of the Kings of England.

Prince of WALES, Duke of CORNWALL, and Earl of CHESTER.

HIS late Royal Highness being the eldest Son of our most [illegible] Sovereign George II. King of Great Britain, &c. was [illegible] Cornwall; and had Precedency, not only by several Charters, but [illegible] of Parliament, of all Dukes, the King's Sons, the King's Brothers, [illegible] Uncles, the King's Nephews, or the King's Brothers or Sisters [illegible] having Precedency before all other Dukes, and the Princes of the Blood of England.

EARL of CHESTER.

The Earldom of Chester, by King Henry III. was annexed to the Crown forever, by Letters Patents, dated the 51st of his Reign, 1247, with the Castle of [illegible] and Dee-side, and Prince Edward, his eldest Son, was made Earl [illegible] Successors have been the eldest Sons of our Kings, and [illegible] of Chester, with the Principality, was united to the Principality [illegible] by Act of Parliament in the 25th of Richard II.

PRINCE of WALES.

The Principality of Wales having been brought under Subjection to King Edward I. that Monarch, by a Parliament held at *Rutbland*, in the 12th Year of his Reign, called to Englandto which Statute there are many Laws concerning the Division of Wales into Counties, &c. yet he could not with the great Will and Consent of the common People of the Country, accept him for their Prince, and be obedient to him as he should appoint; unless he would remain amongst them, neither could he bring them to Obedience to any other Prince, except he were of their own Nation, for the *Welchmen* having Experience of the *English*, and knowing that the King would rule by his Deputies, would pay no Obedience to any *English*-man; and unanimously answered, *That they were content to take for their Prince any Man whom the King would name, so that he were a Welchman*; and to no other Answer could the King get. Whereupon the King sent for Queen *Eleanor*, when great with Child, to the Castle of *Carnarvon*, and being near her Lying-in, he went to *Rutbland*, and summoned all the Barons, and Men of Note in Wales, to consult about the public Good of their Country. At this great Meeting, he deferred the Consultation, until he was certified that the Queen was delivered of a Son: Then he called the *Welchmen* together, and told them, *That as they were oftentimes suitors to him, to appoint them a Prince he would now name one, if they would abide by him, and accept him for their Prince*; to which they answered, *They would, if he were born in Wales, and could speak never a Word of English, who was then a Stranger to the Conversation of Man that was able to stain.* And when they all had agreed to it, as they all would do; he named his own Son, *Edward*, born at *Carnarvon Castle*, a few Days before, viz. April 25, 1284. Yet notwithstanding this Prince obtained this Title of Prince of Wales, as our Summons to Parliament shows; yet Edward his Son, King of England, (by the Name of Edward III.) never had the Title of Prince of Wales, otherwise than by Courtesy, as our two famous Antiquaries, *Cambden* and *Selden*, have observed.

Edward the Black Prince, (so Surnamed by the *French* from his dreadful [illegible] upon the eldest Son of Edward III. was the first invested in the Principality of Wales, 16 Edward III. with these Ensigns of Honour, viz. a Coronet of Gold, made in Manner of a Garland; a Gold Ring, and a Sceptre of Silver; to hold to himself, and his Heirs, Kings of England; from which Time, the Heirs apparent of our Kings have been the Titles of Princes of Wales, some having been created in like Form, others called.

DUKE of CORNWALL.

The Title and Dignity of Duke of Cornwall, was likewise conferred on the [illegible] Prince *Edward*, before he was 7 Years of Age, in the [illegible] held at Westminster, 11 Edward III. as also by Charter, bearing Date 17 March the same Year, being the first Precedent for the Creation of the Title of a Duke in England; *to hold to Himself, and the Heirs, Kings of England, and to their first-born Sons.* But on the Death of Prince Henry, eldest Son of King James I. some Doubt arose concerning this Title; but that King in Council, heard the Master of the Rolls, and the Council of Prince Charles, his Second Son, and other great Men; and after grave and serious Deliberation, we find it settled, as may be seen in the

Precedency and Precedents on Baronies by Writ, and other Honours, where the Earl of the Duchy of Cornwall is mentioned at large: The chief Doubt arose out of a literal Construction of the Words, *Filius primogenitus*, contained in that singular Point of Limitation of the said Duchy made by Parliament 25 Edward III. whereby the King did create the said Duchy and large Possessions, &c. to have and to hold, &c. to the said Duke, and to the first begotten Son of him, and his Heirs, Kings of England and Dukes of the said Place, that hereditarily succeed to the Kingdom of England; so as they may in no wise be separated from the said Duchy, nor be given, or any Way granted by us, or our Heirs, to any other, or others, than Dukes of the said Place; yet it appeareth [illegible] Earl of Richard, (after Richard II.) eldest Son of the same Prince [illegible] who died in the Life of King Edward III. his Father; by Means whereof he became lineal Heir Male to the King; yet because he was not the eldest Son of a King, but of a King's Son, he was not Duke of Cornwall by Right of that Grant and Limitation, but was made Duke by King Edward III. by Letters Patents, and not by Parliament. Henry VIII. in the 30th of his Reign, with the Consent of the Prelates, Dukes, Earls and Barons, in Parliament, did make and create his Son Henry Prince of Wales and Earl of Chester; but did not create him Duke of Cornwall, which he would have done, if he had not been Duke of Cornwall before by Birth, without Creation. Yet the King stiled him his dearest first begotten Son, Henry Duke of Cornwall, &c. for his elder Brother Arthur, by 6 H. 7. *Pater Patriæ*, and by Statute made 6 Henry V. it is expressed, that the eldest Sons of the Kings of England, that should be next Heirs to the Crown of England, should be Dukes of Cornwall; so that in James the First's Time, it was unanimously agreed and declared, that Prince Charles, being next Heir to the Realm of England, and the King's eldest Son (after his Brother's Death) was in Right, and by Virtue of the Statute of 11 Edward III. Duke of Cornwall.

By which Acts, &c. the Title of Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, and Earl of Chester, came to his late Royal Highness Frederick Lewis, &c.

May 10. We have already given an Account of the Miseries which the unfortunate Slaves suffered in Barbary, under the Emperor Muley Abdallah; but however shocking and inhuman those might appear, they were tolerable and almost merciful, when compared to the excessive Cruelties suffered under the Predecessor of Muley Abdallah, as related by [illegible] Fellow of Penryn, a very creditable Witness, who was a Captive in Barbary twenty-three Years. By him we are informed, they were harnessed as Carts with Mules and Asses; that their Lodgings were subterraneous Dungeons, their Fathoms deep, covered with Iron Gates, their daily Subsistance nothing but a small Quantity of Barley Meal, and a little Oil. That the Emperor was [illegible] Wife, in Wrath were many at work, and being employed did not leave Time to their Smoking, as he expected they should at his Coming to go up and throw them all on the Walls, [illegible] Legs and Arms and knocking them on the Head as a Manner of Amusement. Another Time he ordered them to bury a living Slave [illegible] along with the Corpse into the Wall. These having [illegible] pull down a Part of a [illegible] Wall, that he [illegible] for a Diversion which he seemed [illegible] Pleasure in; to [illegible] Christians drag great Numbers of them under the Walls, which were undermined and just ready to fall, that they might be buried in the Ruins, with many other [illegible] Acts of Cruelty.

May 17. This Day the Hon. House of Commons met again according to [illegible] that by the Clauses in the Bill to secure the Duties on Tobacco, [illegible] from it is one for the Prevention of the running of that Commodity.

The Assizes, it is said, will end about the 24th of June.

June 1. The Particulars of the late unhappy Affair between two Officers of Sir Charles Howard's Regiment of Dragoons, were, we hear, as follows: One of them accused the other of speaking unbecoming Words of him last at the Year 1745, during the last Rebellion; that Thing not [illegible] cognizable at Common Law, by the Time being so long elapsed before the Information given, was nevertheless so by a Court Martial, before whom it was brought; and the Accuser summoned two Gentlemen to verify his Accusation, who have denied their being in Company at the Time mentioned, or hearing anything of the Matter; on which the Accused was honourably acquitted by the Court. In a few Days after, the Gentleman who brought the Accusation was found dead in his Chair stupified by a Dose of Laudanum, and a Paper before him, containing a Petition to the Company, that his Widow might be allowed the Pension due to those whose Husbands die in the Service.

Extract of a Letter from the Reverend Mr. Bard, at Glastonbury, dated June 1, 1751.

"We have Springs found out here in October last; an excellent Water indeed, which has already performed many great Cures, especially in Asthma's, Shortness of Breath, and scorbutick Disorders. Several Persons have been cured, and others greatly benefitted in the Leprosy, &c. This Water rises out of a Wall, for many Years called Blood-well, at the Foot of that remarkable Hill called Tor Hill, and runs thro' the Abbey Place called Chain Gate, where there is a Bathing Place made, and another now building near the Original Spring. The People that resort hither to drink and bathe in these Waters express the highest Satisfaction for the Benefit they have received from them; and the Inhabitants, in Return, seem to vie with one another in treating them with Respect. In short, there seems to be nothing wanting but a sufficient Number of Houses to accommodate the Gentry, there being at this Time near three hundred Lodgers in the Town, besides a great Number at the adjacent Towns and Villages. There are frequently six or seven Thousand People here from all Parts of the Country every Saturday and Sunday, from a Notion, that there is a greater Efficacy in the Water on those Days than at other Times; which has raised the Price of Provisions to double the Value, and 'tis common to give 18 d. or 2s. for a Bed on Saturday Nights. The odd Manner in which this beneficial Water was first found out was by a Dream; but I doubt not but you have heard of it before now, therefore shall say no more concerning it, but earnestly recommend it to Providence, who alone can bless the Use of these Waters to Mankind."

"This Place has made a great Figure in History, it being formerly surrounded by a Part of the Sea, and was then called the Isle of Avalon; where the Remains of an antient beautiful Cathedral or Abbey, formerly under the Government of an Abbot, but was destroyed in the Reign of Henry the VIIIth. It is remarkable for being the Burial Place of several British Kings, and also for a Tree call the Holy Thorn, which blossoms at Christmas, even in the severest Weather, and appears as beautiful as the finest Thorn in May, with several other Curiosities."

An Extract of a Letter from Portsmouth, dated June 3.

"His Majesty's Ship, Rainbow, Commodore Rodney, with the Bolton, and two Men of War Sloops, are ready to sail the first fair Wind for the Isle of Mare, lately discover'd in Latitude 55. N. 500 Leagues from the Lizard. The Ships are double mann'd, in order to leave a sufficient Force to keep Possession thereof, and are provided with all Manner of Necessaries for their Support. 'Tis not as yet known whether inhabited or not, or what the Produce; the Person who discover'd it last Summer not landing thereon, by Reason of the Wind being high, and the Shore unknown. The Commodore is expected this Night from London, where he has been to receive his private Instructions. I thought proper by this to undeceive the Publick, who were impos'd upon in the former Accounts. The Bloodford Man of War sails out of the Harbour To-morrow Morning."

An Extract of a Letter from Edinburgh, May 12.

"There is nothing that engrosses the Attention of People here so much as the following odd Story. One Thomas G——y, a Merchant here, who became Bankrupt some Time ago, and run off, but returned within these few Days, to satisfy his Creditors so far as their Funds would admit, found Means, by the Assistance of one Mr. D——s, to decoy a young Lady, (one Miss M——s, who stays with her Mother and Step Father in this Place) into a Coach, and drive off to Musselburgh Sands, where they met the Musselburgh Stage Coach, which stopt, and out of which came G——y, and one who pretended to be a Parson. The latter demanded if Miss and G——y were single Persons, who answer'd affirmatively. He desired them to join Hands, and they did so, whereupon he pronounced them married Persons. Some People, however, suspect that this Scene was not manifested without some Degree of Difficulty; that the Coach was driven a considerable Way into the Sea; that G——y swore he would carry her to London, if she did not comply, where she should never see the Face of any of her Friends. ——— Whatever Method he used to accomplish his Design, joined they were, and drove off to Penicuik, a Place four Miles forward to Musselburgh. Some say they bedded there, but I find it generally asserted, that Miss, assuming an Air of Satisfaction soon after their Husband said, 'Well, since we are married, let us go to my Mother's, and be bedded'. At this G——y seemed quite pleased, and to Edinburgh they drove, and went up Stairs; but Miss being foremost, whips cleverly into the House and throw the Door into G——y's Face; who, when he saw no Probability of getting in, shortly thereof off. Next Day, Miss's Step-father procured a Warrant of Incarceration against G——y, and in Consequence thereof he was put in Prison. But being bail'd out of Confinement, two Days after raised a Summons of Adherence before the Commissary of Edinburgh. Since which Miss's Step Father, I am told, has applied for a new Warrant to incarcerate him; as this is said to be a Crime that cannot be bailed. 'Tis said that G——y will stand a Judiciary Trial."

Southampton, May 21. Two Busses of 80 Tons each are launched at this Port, by Mr. Richard Taunton, Merchant, for the Use of the Society of the Free British Fishery. One is called the Norfolk, the other the Newcastle. They are reckoned as stout Vessels of that Burthen for the Herring Fishery, as any ever built in Holland. Two more Busses are on the Stocks, and will soon be finished.

Dublin, May 15. It is reported, that his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland will be made a Peer of Ireland, that he will soon come over to view the Army in the different Parts of this Kingdom, and that he will be installed in a very public and grand Manner Chancellor of Dublin.

A Vessel is arrived in the River, on Board of which eighteen Families of the People called Quakers are to embark for South-Carolina.

The Rev. Mr. Whitefield arrived here last Week from England.

WILLIAMSBURG, Sept. 12.

Entries in York River, from August 10 to September 10, 1751.

Ship Samuel, Thomas Hazlewood, from Rappahannock.
Ship Elizabeth, Charles Scatter, from Barbary.
Snow Thomas and Mary, Robert Bootle, from Montrose.
Ship Caesar, [illegible] Spooner, from Bristol.
Snow John and [illegible], Anthony Allen, from Lisbon.
Snow Pamela, [illegible] Mills, from Madeira.

Aug. 12. Cleared Outwards.

Snow Rachel and Dorothy, Charles Ellis, for London.
Snow Amy, Thomas Thrash, for London.
Ship Planter, Reuben Skinner, for London.
Sloop Nancy, Archibald Crawford, for London.
Ship New Hastings, George Hill, for London.
Ship Virginia Packet, Jacob Cooper, for Hull.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Just arrived in James River, from Africa,

THE Ship *Penelope*, Capt. *Anthony Gerber*, with 200 choice healthy *Gambia Slaves*, the Sale of which will begin at *Burwell's Hundred*, on *Thursday* the Nineteenth of this Instant, and continue there 'till all are sold.

Peter Randolph, and Comp.

To be RUN for, at Dudley's *Ferry, in* King *and* Queen,

ON the first *Wednesday* in *October* next, the best Two Mile Heats, a Purse of about Thirty-two Pistoles Value; all Horses to carry One Hundred and Thirty Pounds.

Robert Dudley.

To be Sold, by the Subscriber, living in Norfolk *County,*

A NEW Schooner, now on the Stocks, and will be launched by the last Day of *November* next, or sooner if required, the Dimensions, 49 Feet Keel, 18 Feet Beam, and 9 and a half Hold; she is a well-built Vessel, her Plank being all season'd, and sufficiently secur'd with Iron Work, being to be finished for a Cleat, at Fifty Shillings per Ton, by

William Selby.

To

To be SOLD, at Norfolk Town,

ON Thursday the 29th of September, at publick Sale, to the highest Bidder, the Effects of Capt. *Samuel Eagle*, consisting of sundry valuable Slaves, a Quantity of Household Furniture, with the Sloop *Eagle*, Burthen 80 Tons, now lying at Norfolk Town. The Plantation will be shewn by Mr. *Maccubin Grout*, on giving Security, as usual in Law-suits.

Ann Eagle, } Executors.
William Eagle, }

All the Goods of Persons at Gosh Hook which were given up at the sale of Col. *Benjamin Waller's* Effects is required, Thursday next, to be brought to the Store at the Capitol, and delivered to Mr. *Anthony's* Hand, with Orders to publish.

Henry Downes, Administrator.

Run away from the Subscriber, living in *Prince George* County, a Servant Man, named *Matthew Whitwell*, Carpenter, by Trade, about 24 Years of Age, 5 Feet 6 or 7 Inches high, has the Use of his Fore-Finger of his right Hand very much contracted, and a Scar on his right Arm, well made, wears a Wig or Cap. Whoever takes up the said *Samuel Eagle*, and secures him so as he may be Conveniently had again, shall have Five Pistoles for the apprehending the said *Matthew Whitwell*, besides what the Law allows.

Matthew Whitwell.

IMPORTED in the Dutchess of Queensbury, and just come to Hand,

A Large Assortment of Drugs and Medicines, Groceries and Chirurgical Medicines, Tools, Cutlery Wares, Ironmongery and Glasses, Drugget Gowns, Stockings, Hats, Shoes, Leather, Nails, Powder and Shot, Duck and Osnabrigs, Linens and Woollens, Silks and Stuffs, Callicoes and Chintzes, Fans and Gloves, Ribbons and Laces, Hoes and Axes, Pewter and Brass Wares, Saddles and Bridles, Hats and Perriwigs, Looking-Glasses and Snuff-Boxes, Sword Blades and Pistols, Guns and Powder, Shot and Lead, Cheese and Butter, Oyl and Vinegar, Raisins and Currants, Sugar and Spices, Tea and Coffee, Chocolate and Rice, Flour and Bread, Beef and Pork, Cyder and Perry, Rum and Brandy, Wine and Punch, Strong Beer and Porter, Cotton and Linen Yarn, Sail Cloth and Ravens Duck, Cordage and Twine, Canvas and Oznabrigs, Bees Wax and Tallow, Candles and Soap, Pitch and Tar, Rosin and Turpentine, Deal Boards and Plank, Scantling and Shingles, Window Glass and Lead, Iron and Steel, Anchors and Cables, Blocks and Oars, Compasses and Quadrants, Dividers and Protractors, Parallel Rulers and Plotting Scales, Gunters Scale and Sector, Mathematical Instruments, Paper and Parchment, Pens and Ink, Wafers and Sealing Wax, Pocket Books and Memorandum Books, Copper Plates and Printing Ink, Primers and Testaments, Spelling Books and Psalters, Bibles and Common Prayer Books, Ruled Books and Writing Paper, Sermons and Pamphlets, Almanacks and Ballads